

Oak Ridge Cemetery

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Of Interment Guidelines

Rules & Regulations—

The following questions and answers are regarding the rules and regulations that apply to the Oak Ridge Cemetery. At any time a violation of these Rules and Regulations is encountered by staff of the City of Inverness, it may be remedied without notice. All articles or objects found in violation of these Rules and Regulations may be removed by the City without notice.

What is the Cemetery's intended use?

The Oak Ridge Cemetery is for the interment of the deceased humans and members of their families who have rights through inheritance.

Why are there rules and regulations regarding the Oak Ridge Cemetery?

The City of Inverness wishes to keep the cemetery well maintained and present an image of respect for the dignity of each individual interment. The balance of appearance and upkeep is a continuous effort to make our cemetery a more beautiful place to visit and easier to maintain.

How many burials may be placed in one gravesite?

A gravesite is ½ of the lot space. Therefore, only one (1) casket burial or two (2) cremations are permitted in an individual gravesite.

Can a grave that has been purchased previously be sold?

The only way a site can be sold in any case, is through the City of Inverness. This helps to guarantee that records are properly kept. Refunds are available for unused burial lots subject to approval of the City Council. The amount refundable is equal to the purchase price at the time of the initial purchase.

How can a lost Certificate of Interment Rights be replaced?

The City of Inverness will issue a duplicate Certificate of Interment Rights, provided evidence of ownership is presented.

Who owns the lot (gravesite)?

The possession of a Certificate of Interment Rights by anyone provides the right to be interred in the specific location identified on the certificate. The City of Inverness however, is the sole owner of the real estate located within the Oak Ridge Cemetery.

***Visitation hours to the Oak Ridge Cemetery
are the hours between Sunrise and Sunset.***

Can the lot be enclosed by a fence?

No enclosures or barriers are permitted within the cemetery including but not limited to fencing, coping, scrollwork, hedges (real or artificial), ditches, etc.

Can decorative objects and/or plantings be placed on the site?

No planting of trees, shrubs, flowers, etc. are permitted. No decorative objects of any nature shall remain on the interment spaces, including but not limited to chairs, shells, crushed or decorative rock, lawn ornaments, etc. Items placed temporarily must NOT extend beyond the perimeter of each gravesite.

What objects may be placed permanently on a gravesite?

Marble or granite slabs may be installed on a gravesite. Government/Military markers, when used as foot markers, shall be flush with the ground. Permanent seating made of a permanent material such as granite or marble. These items may be installed after a **'special work permit'** has been obtained by contacting the City of Inverness' Parks and Recreation Department at (352) 726-3913.

Can seasonal/holiday decorations be placed on a gravesite?

Seasonal/Holiday decorations should be removed after 30 days. After 30 days, these items may be removed by the City of Inverness, or sooner due to condition or placement. Items may include but not limited to, arrangements, wreaths, potted plants, artificial flowers in baskets or unbreakable containers, etc.

Can solar lights and/or flags be placed on a gravesite?

Solar lights, limited to two (2), shall be in-ground with white bulbs, and must be located within 6" of either side of headstone. Flags, limited to two (2), shall be 11" x 16" in size (or smaller). The item placement must not interfere with cemetery maintenance. A **'special work permit'** must be obtained prior to placement of either and/or both of these particular items.

'Special Permit' may be obtained by contacting the City of Inverness
Parks & Recreations Department at (352) 726-3913.

Any questions/concerns regarding the rules and regulations of the Oak
Ridge Cemetery may be addressed by contacting the
City Clerk's Office at (352) 726-2611.



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